

Vehicles for Change Welcomes New Board Member

HALETHORPE, Md. (November 20, 2012) – Baltimore County nonprofit Vehicles for Change, Inc. welcomes Douglas Larkin, founder and chief executive officer of Larkin Communications, to its board of directors this week. In his new role, Larkin will help steer the organization in its mission to provide affordable vehicles to low-income families. Vehicles for Change relies on cars donations from the public.

“We are very excited to have Doug join our board,” said Martin Schwartz, president of Vehicles for Change. “His business and communications experience will help guide VFC to the next level.”

In his current role, Larkin directs communication programs for numerous technology start-ups and other smart growth companies. Prior to founding Larkin Communications, he served as executive director for both the High-Tech Encryption Coalition and Foreign Sales Corporation Coalition. Larkin is also the co-founder of Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAO), which works to provide a global community for asbestos victims and their families and raise awareness about asbestos-related diseases.

"I'm honored to be joining the board of Vehicles for Change," said Doug Larkin, "Vehicles for Change is helping to improve the lives of individuals and families in our communities every day."

Since its formation in 1999, Vehicles for Change has impacted the lives of more than 14,000 individuals by awarding more than 4,000 cars to low-income families in Maryland, Washington and Virginia. The organization's 2011 study found that 73 percent of Vehicles for Change car buyers were able to obtain a better paying job and/or increase their income by an average of \$7,000. There are more than 81,000 low-income households without a car in the Baltimore metro area.

About Vehicles for Change, Inc.

Vehicles for Change, a nonprofit organization committed to selling refurbished cars to low-income families at minimal cost, was founded in 1999. Vehicles for Change awards cars to worthy families throughout Maryland, Washington and Virginia.

For more information about Vehicles for Change, or to donate a vehicle, visit www.vehiclesforchange.org or call (410) 242-9674.

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